From: Okes_J@cde.state.co.us
To: Meyer_Jeremy@cde.state.co.us
Subject: RE: pot money question
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What about the following? I think this is probably too technical for an article. Any thoughts?

Marijuana revenue is directed to various programs as outlined by law. The majority of marijuana tax revenues directed to K-12 education is distributed for grant programs, including capital funding for school buildings. Some marijuana funding is deposited in the State Public School Fund, which is one of the funding sources for the state share of total program funding through the School Finance Act.

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From: Meyer, Jeremy
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2019 1:58 PM
To: Okes, Jennifer <Okes_J@cde.state.co.us>
Subject: FW: pot money question

Hi Jennifer,

Would you be willing to offer a statement on this … why marijuana tax revenue doesn't go to teacher salaries?

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From: David Migoya [mailto:dmigoya@denverpost.com]
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2019 1:56 PM
To: Meyer, Jeremy
Subject: Re: pot money question

of course
i guess what i'm hopin gfor is a comment that says none of the money is earmarked for teacher salaries b/c.....

also...some $ goes into the State Public School fund, which in part goes toward the equalization dollars.
is that about $41mil into a fund of $38bil ?

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On Mon, Feb 11, 2019 at 1:53 PM Meyer, Jeremy <Meyer_Jeremy@cde.state.co.us> wrote:

> Hey David,
>
> As you know, the pot tax revenue distribution is dictated by statute and from the constitution and then based upon the individual allocation/distribution methods within each individual grant/program.
> The distribution and history of how it panned out in legislation is explained on this webpage:
> https://www.cde.state.co.us/communications/2018marijuanarevenue

DPS does receive its share of the marijuana tax revenue:

District	School Bullying Prevention and Education Grant 2017	School Bullying Prevention and Education Grant 2018	School DropOut Prevention Grant 2017	School DropOut Prevention Grant 2018	Early Literacy Grant Program 2017	Early Literacy Grant Program 2018	School Health Professional Grant Program 2015	School Health Professional Grant Program 2016	School Health Professional Grant Program 2017	School Health Professional Grant Program 2018	Rural Districts 2018	GRAND TOTAL
DENVER COUNTY 1	273,739	427,654	139,292	276,825	67,678	360,158	-	-	130,928	1,093,329	-	$ 2,769,603

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From: David Migoya [mailto:dmigoya@denverpost.com]
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To: Meyer, Jeremy
Subject: pot money question

Jeremy
Hope you're well.
As expected, so many people still ask, "What about all that pot money?" when the issue of the Denver Teachers strike comes up.
So, we're gonna write a shorty that takes that one head-on.

So....
From your world....why can't Denver use any of the marijuana tax money distributed through the funds allotted to Dept of Ed? (the discretionary stuff, that is)

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